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## CAVALRYMAN SMASHED DENISON BAR MIRROR

LIEUT. WINNIA THREW A CUSPIDOR AT BARTENDER.

IN A ROW OVER HIS CHANGE

He Recently Returned from the Philippines and is Visiting Relatives in This City.

A broken French plate mirror behind the Denison Hotel tells a story of a clash between Lieut. Charles C. Winnia and bartender Shaffer last night.

Lieutenant Winnia, lately attached to the Fourteenth Cavalry in the Philippines, is here visiting relatives. Early last evening Winnia went to the Denison bar and called for a drink. He gave Shaffer a dollar. Winnia took his drink.

Then the officer and the bartender began a dispute over whether Shaffer gave Winnia his change. The officer said he had not received it. Shaffer insisted that he had. Hot words passed between the men and Lieutenant Winnia, in a fit of anger picked up a brass cuspidor and hurled it at the bartender's head. Shaffer dodged, and the cuspidor smashed the mirror.

A moment later the bar-room was filled with men and excitement ran high. Friends of Lieutenant Winnia went to him and the soldier was saved the embarrassment of arrest by an immediate

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## CASTRO IS READY TO ACCEPT ARBITRATION

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So far there is not any uneasiness over the situation at the State Department because the department feels assured that there is no ulterior motive on the part of the two great powers.

In times past the United States has threatened to cross the Atlantic and do what Great Britain and Germany are now doing in Venezuela. Only a few years ago this government threatened to send a battleship to Turkey to force payment of a debt.

Thanks to Bowen.

Acting under cabled instructions, Mr. von Holleben, the German ambassador, and Sir Michael Herbert, the British ambassador, presented to the State Department the thanks of their governments for the services of Minister Bowen, acting on behalf of the United States, in securing the release of the German and British and explained what Germany proposed to do.

"We declare especially that under no circumstances do we consider in our proceedings the acquisition of the permanent occupation of Venezuelan territory. If the Venezuelan government should force us to the application of measures of coercion, we should have to consider furthermore if at this occasion we should ask likewise for a greater security for the fulfillment of the claims of the company of discount of Berlin. After the posting of an ultimatum, first of all the blockade of the more important Venezuelan harbors—that is, principally the harbors of La Guayra and Puerto Cabello—would have to be considered as an appropriate measure of coercion, as it would have to be considered as an export being nearly the only source of income of Venezuela, would in this way be made impossible.

The Food Question.

"Likewise it would be difficult to provide the country, which depends on the import of corn, with food. If this measure does not seem efficient we would have to consider the temporary occupation of the part of different Venezuelan harbor places and the levying of duties in those places.

The President's Reply.

President Roosevelt accepted the statement of the German ambassador as setting forth all the coercive measures that might be employed by his government. This is indicated by his memorandum handed to the German ambassador by the Secretary of State on December 16 last, which concluded with the following paragraph:

"The President of the United States, appreciating the courtesy of the German government in making him acquainted with the details of affairs referred to, and not regarding himself as called upon to enter the consideration of the question, believes that no measures will be taken in this matter by the agents of the German government which are not in accordance with the well-known purpose, above set forth, of his majesty the German Emperor."

Germany's Second Note.

Four days later Ambassador von Holleben furnished Secretary Hay with another memorandum, in which Germany's intentions were more explicitly given. This memorandum follows:

"In case the German government should be obliged to use coercion against Venezuela in connection with the pending claims, it will have to be considered what kind of measures should be applied. The most important measures of coercion—that is, the blockade of Venezuelan harbors—would have to be carried through without a declaration of war preceding it.

THE LATIN REPUBLICS OWE MANY MILLIONS

They Are in Arrears \$300,000,000 to British Capitalists—Investors Are Interested.

NEW YORK, December 12.—A telegram from London to the Tribune says: The Venezuelan affair is attracting the attention of investors and bankers of the city, where creditors of various Central and South American countries are directly interested in practical measures for recovering defaults in principal and interest.

During the last half century London has negotiated loans and supplied capital for railway, mining and harbor improvements in Costa Rica, Honduras, Guatemala, Venezuela, Brazil, the Argentine confederation, Chile, Peru and other Spanish-American states, and arrears in many

of these investments are heavy. The money was loaned at high rates and when financial obligations have been repudiated, the creditors have been practically helpless. One of the most successful operations was the Grace contract, by which the state railways and various mining properties were handed over to a syndicate in exchange for complete clearance of the Peruvian debt. The creditors of many other states have been less fortunate. Many millions are now due investors in various classes of Spanish-American securities from defaults of governments and corporations. These losses are estimated in this city as high as \$300,000,000.

HE SAYS CASTRO IS OUT OF HIS HEAD

Miguel Gonzalez Declares Venezuela's President Thinks He Can Whip the Whole World.

CHICAGO, December 12.—It is the belief of Miguel Almeyda, a Venezuelan, that President Castro, of Venezuela, is insane. He so expressed himself at the Auditorium annex, where he stopped for a few hours, on his way to San Francisco.

NO VIOLATION OF THE MONROE DOCTRINE

Henry Wade Rogers Says There is No Reason as Yet for the United States to Interfere.

NEW HAVEN, December 12.—Prof. Henry Wade Rogers, who now holds the chair of constitutional law in the Yale University, is of the opinion that Great Britain and Germany have not violated the Monroe doctrine in the present disagreement with Venezuela.

He said: "The United States has not at any time asserted the right to interfere for the protection of any of the South American States against the demands of a European nation seeking the payment of claims. On the contrary, our Government has again and again disclaimed any right of interference in such cases."

ELOPER IS IN TROUBLE.

Afraid to Get a License, He Is Arrested for Horse Theft.

S. H. Simonds, marshal of Sheridan, Ind., stopped in the city last night and left a prisoner, George Johnson, twenty-two years old, in charge of the turkey at the police station. Johnson was arrested in Putnamville, Ind., on the charge of stealing a horse and buggy from a liveryman in Sheridan. The young man declares his innocence of the crime.

He said he eloped with a seventeen-year-old Sheridan girl November 22 in a buggy which he hired for three days. The couple drove through Indiana into Illinois. The severe weather caused them to turn back. Johnson said he sent the girl home on the train, and he was driving back when arrested. He said he did not marry the girl because he was afraid to apply for a license. He said he wanted to marry her, and that he had made arrangements to do so when he got back to Sheridan. Johnson has 72 and claims he owes nothing except the livery bill.

Sale of Seats for Mascagni.

Seats for the Mascagni concert at Tomlinson Hall, Wednesday evening, December 17, will be placed on sale tomorrow morning at the Big Four ticket office. This concert will constitute the only appearance here of this company. Pietro Mascagni, the composer and conductor of the opera, will appear in the second half of the program. He is a young man six feet tall, broad shoulders, handsome and magnetic. He was born at Leghorn, Italy, December 1, 1863. He has written various orchestral works, songs and operas. "Cavalleria Rusticana," "Iris" and "Ritorno" are his present tour of America and the first time he has been here.

School Entertainment.

The pupils of the eighth grade in school No. 41, North Indianapolis, will give an entertainment to-night for the benefit of the school. The entertainment will be of a musical and literary nature, and will be given in the Seventh Christian church, corner of Third and Adams streets. Pupils and friends of the school will contribute the numbers. Among them will be a solo by Mrs. Walter Fugate, who will sing "Love's Promise."

Picks in His Brain, He Lives.

James Johnson, the Louisville negro, who tried to terrify Indiana avenue a few weeks ago, and whose skull was crushed by a pick in the hands of a negro named Murray, was taken to the station house, corner of Third and Adams streets, and locked up. His case is a remarkable one. The pick struck his skull and entered his brain. Murray has not been found.

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